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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action (Paper No. 30), dated June 21, 2002, setting a three-months term for response, please consider the following remarks.

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-6 and 9-11 are pending in this application.

## Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-6 and 9-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) "as being unpatentable over the combination of Cooke et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 4,725,549) and A.M. Walker (TEM, 5(5): 195-200) in view of Maciejewski et al. (J. Biol. Chem. 270(17): 27661-27665, 1995, for the reasons of record in paper #13, 16 and 25."

Cooke et al. was cited by the Examiner for its teaching of recombinant prolactin. Walker was cited by the Examiner "for the teaching that a serine in prolactin within the region of amino